

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
27. Construction of Commercial Complex at Kaushambi, Ghaziabad (UP)						NBCC's Real Estate Project. Project has been kept in abeyance for the time being due to non-availability of infrastructural facilities like power, drinking water, sewerage, approach road etc. by GDA.	

[English]

**Employment Assurance Scheme**

\*355. SHRI N. RAMAKRISHNA REDDY : Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS & EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- the number of Blocks, State-wise;
- the number of Blocks covered under EAS during 1995-96;
- the number of Blocks sanctioned under EAS during 1996-97, State-wise;
- whether Government is contemplating to cover all the Blocks under EAS in the country; and
- if so, by when ?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI KINJARAPPU YERRANNAIDU) : (a) The State-wise list of total number of blocks and blocks covered under Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS) may please be seen in Statement-I.

(b) The number of blocks covered under EAS during 1995-96 is 768.

(c) The list of number of blocks sanctioned under EAS State-wise, during 1996-97 may please be seen in Statement-II enclosed.

(d) and (e) Yes, Sir. The remaining rural blocks of the country will be covered under EAS during 1997-98.

**Statement-I**

Sl. No.	State/UT	Total No. of Blocks	No. of Blocks covered under EAS
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	330	280
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	56	56

1	2	3	4
3.	Assam	218	218
4.	Bihar	727	579
5.	Goa	11	5
6.	Gujarat	218	181
7.	Haryana	110	77
8.	Himachal Pradesh	69	44
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	119	119
10.	Karnataka	175	162
11.	Kerala	152	81
12.	Madhya Pradesh	459	394
13.	Maharashtra	299	247
14.	Manipur	31	31
15.	Meghalaya	32	32
16.	Mizoram	20	20
17.	Nagaland	52	52
18.	Orissa	314	290
19.	Punjab	136	49
20.	Rajasthan	237	204
21.	Sikkim	4	4
22.	Tamilnadu	385	282
23.	Tripura	27	27
24.	Uttar Pradesh	902	610
25.	West Bengal	340	270
26.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	5	3

1	2	3	4
27.	Chandigarh	1	0
28.	Dadar & Nagar Haveli	1	1
29.	Daman & Diu	2	1
30.	Delhi	5	0
31.	Lakshadweep	9	7
32.	Pondicherry	6	3
Total		5452	4329

## Statement-II

Sl. No.	State/UT	No. of Additional Block Sanctioned
1.	Andhra Pradesh	95
2.	Assam	76
3.	Bihar	132
4.	Goa	4
5.	Gujarat	31
6.	Haryana	32
7.	Himachal Pradesh	25
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	30
9.	Karnataka	29
10.	Kerala	60
11.	Madhya Pradesh	54
12.	Maharashtra	29
13.	Manipur	9
14.	Orissa	40
15.	Punjab	49
16.	Rajasthan	30
17.	Tamil Nadu	84
18.	Uttar Pradesh	250
19.	West Bengal	57
20.	A & N Island	1
21.	Daman & Diu	1
22.	Lakshadweep	2
23.	Pondicherry	3
Total		1123

## Subsidy to F.P.I.s.

\*356. DR. A.K. PATEL : Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state :

(a) the details of assistance and subsidy provided to food processing units during the last three years, year-wise; and

(b) the criteria fixed for allocation of funds including subsidy to these units ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI DILIP KUMAR RAY) : (a) and (b) Government have taken various steps to promote food processing industries in the country which inter-alia include declaration of most food processing industries as high priority, delicensing of food processing industries except brewing and distillation of alcoholic beverages and those items reserved for small scale sector, promoting domestic/foreign/NRI investments and providing fiscal reliefs etc. Ministry of Food Processing Industries under its plan schemes extends financial assistance to State Government organisations, institutions, cooperatives, joint sector/assisted sector projects, voluntary agencies etc. for (i) setting up/expansion/modernisation of food processing units, (ii) promotion of post harvest infrastructure, cold chain etc., (iii) propagation of the concept of backward linkages between farmers and processors, (iv) propagating technology for developing entrepreneurship in rural areas (v) Research and development related activities (vi) Networking with State Governments and assisting nodal agencies identified by the State Governments etc.

2. Plan Schemes operated by Ministry of Food Processing Industries are project specific and not State or area specific. Depending upon the factors such as technical feasibility and economic viability of the proposals, availability of resources etc. financial assistance is provided in the following manner :-

(a) Interest free loan to State Government organisations for equity participation in joint sector/assisted sector projects.

(b) Grant-in-aid to State Government Organisations, institutions, cooperatives/voluntary agencies/private entrepreneurs etc., in varying degrees, for the purposes indicated in the preceding para-1.

(c) Equity/Loan assistance to Modern Food Industries (India) Ltd. and North Eastern Regional Agricultural & Marketing Corporation, the two public sector enterprises under the administrative control of the Ministry.

3. The outlay and expenditure of plan funds during the last three years are :